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REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment removes all (proper and improper) multiple dependencies that were in the PCT application's claims from which this case claims priority, with the goal of reducing the fees. Other amendments throughout were made to improve the English usage and clarity of the claims. The new claims include embodiments included in the original claims, primarily in multiply dependent claims, that have been moved to a singly dependent claims. Claim 20 adds the feature that the valves are solenoid operated which was included in the original claims, but was separated out so that the independent and other dependent claims would not be so limited. Support for these amendments is in the original claims and/or the specification.

No new matter is introduced in these new claims.

The application is now in condition for Examination on the merits.

In the unlikely event that the transmittal letter is separated from this document and the Patent and Trademark Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to <u>Deposit Account No. 50-0911</u>.

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